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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office action mailed June 15, 2005. A three-month extension is hereby requested, making a reply due by December 15, 2005. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

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